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## In The Matter Of

No. 15-I-691

## COREY EVERETTE JACKSON, CRT:

(Certificate No. CRT LT2461) Respondent CONSENT ORDER FOR REINSTATMENT OF LICENSE ON PROBATION

This matter is before the Louisiana State Board of Medical Examiners (the "Board") at the request of Corey Everett Jackson, CRT ("Mr. Jackson"), for the reinstatement of his license to practice as a respiratory therapist in this state. His respiratory therapy license has been inactive since November 30, 2015 due to non-renewal. A review of his history reveals that Mr. Jackson, who was licensed to practice as a respiratory therapist in Louisiana, as evidenced by Certificate No. CRT.LRT2461 was arrested on April 11, 2015, for racketeering charges while employed as a Louisiana State Trooper. In April 2019, he was sentenced for committing felony malfeasance in office. He was sentenced to 2 years in jail at hard labor, the sentence was suspended and he was sentenced to 2 years of probation and 160 hours of community service.

On August 28, 2019, following submission of a renewal application, Mr Jackson met with the Director of Investigations (DOI) and it was explained that due to his felony conviction he would be ineligible for renewal until he had completed his sentencing. Mr. Jackson understood and later submitted written notice to withdraw his renewal application.

Mr. Jackson's probation was terminated satisfactorily and he is now requesting reinstatement of his license.

As evidenced by his subscription hereto, Mr. Jackson acknowledges the substantial accuracy of the foregoing information and that such acknowledgment and the reported information would provide the Investigating Officer herein with probable cause to pursue formal administrative proceedings against him for violation of the Louisiana Respiratory Therapy Practice Act and the Board's Rules and Regulations pertaining to Respiratory Therapists constituting sufficient cause for the suspension, revocation or imposition of such other terms, conditions or restrictions on his license to practice as a respiratory therapist in the State of Louisiana as the Board may determine to be appropriate.<sup>1</sup>

La. Rev. Stat. §37:3358(A) provides that the board may deny, refuse to renew a license, may suspend, revoke, or impose probationary conditions on a license if the licensee or applicant for license has been found guilty of unprofessional conduct which has endangered or is likely to endanger the health, welfare, or safety of the public. Such unprofessional conduct shall include: (3) 'Conviction or entry of a plea of guilty or nolo contendere to a criminal charge constituting a felony under the laws of Louisiana, of the United States, or of the state in which such conviction or plea was entered'. The Board's rules, also prescribe such conduct as well, La. Adm. C. §§46XLV:5519.A.5, and 13.

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In consideration of this finding the Board has concluded that its responsibility to ensure the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of this state, pursuant to La. Rev. Stat. §§37:3351, et seq., will be effectively served by entry of the Order set forth hereinafter by consent.

Recognizing his right to have administrative adjudication of the charges which have been asserted, at which time he would be entitled to be represented by legal counsel, to call witnesses and to present evidence on his own behalf in defense or in mitigation of the charges made, and to a decision thereon by the Board based upon written findings of fact and conclusions of law, pursuant to La. Rev. Stat. §49:951. et seq., Mr Jackson nonetheless, hereby waives his right to formal adjudication and, pursuant to La. Rev. Stat. §49:955(D), consents to entry of the Order set forth hereinafter. By his subscription hereto, Mr. Jackson also acknowledges that he waives any right to which he may be entitled pursuant to the Louisiana Administrative Procedure Act, La. Rev. Stat. §49:951, et seq. or which otherwise may be afforded to him by law, to contest his agreement to or the force and effect of this document in any court or other forum relating to the matters referred to herein. By his subscription hereto, Mr. Jackson also hereby authorizes the Investigating Officer designated by the Board with respect hereto, as well as her legal counsel assisting her in connection herewith, to present this Consent Order to the Board for its consideration and to fully disclose to and discuss with the Board the nature and results of the investigation and he waives any objection to such disclosures to the Board under La. Rev. Stat. §49:960. Mr. Jackson expressly acknowledges that the disclosure of information to the Board by the Investigating Officer or her legal counsel shall be without prejudice to the Investigating Officer's authority to pursue formal administrative charges against him or to the Board's capacity to adjudicate such charges, should the Board decline to accept this Consent Order. In the event the Board declines to accept this Consent Order, any waiver or other agreement that has been set forth in this proposed Consent Order shall be considered null and void, with no legal effect, and Mr. Jackson shall have the right to pursue a formal administrative hearing and subsequent legal action.

Accordingly, in consideration of the foregoing and pursuant to the authority vested in the Board by La. Rev. Stat. §37.3355 and La. Rev. Stat. §49:955(D);

IT IS ORDERED that the license of Corey Everette Jackson, CRT, to practice as a respiratory therapist in the state of Louisiana, as evidenced by Certificate No. 2461 be, and the same is hereby reinstated ON PROBATION for one year (1) year (the "probationary term"); provided, however, that such reinstatement of license and Mr. Jackson's continuing exercise of rights and privileges thereunder shall be conditioned upon his acceptance of and strict compliance with the following terms, conditions and restrictions:

- (1) Board Approval of Practice Setting. Following the effective date of this Order and for the duration of the probationary period, before continuing or accepting any employment with any clinic, hospital, physician or other entity providing healthcare services to patients, Mr. Jackson shall obtain the Board's written approval of his employment setting and shall provide any and all information that the Board may then require in connection with such approval. Mr. Jackson shall not engage in practice as a respiratory therapist in advance of the Board's specific written approval of such practice setting.
- (2) Notification of Order; Reports from Supervisors; Authorization. Prior to beginning or returning to work, Mr. Jackson shall provide a copy of this Consent Order to each hospital, clinic, facility, physician or other employer or prospective employer at which or for whom he provides health care services in this state. Thereafter, Mr. Jackson shall authorize and cause the supervisor, or another designee approved by the Board, to submit to the Board quarterly written reports of his/her determination concerning Mr. Jackson's professional competence as derived from such monitoring. In addition, upon request of the Board's probation officer, Mr. Jackson shall immediately execute and provide, as may be necessary, authorization to obtain any and all

peer review records or other employment records pertaining to him from any hospital, institution, physician or other health care entity where he is employed.

- (3) Ethics Course. Mr. Jackson shall attend and successfully complete one or more courses of study in the area of appropriate professionalism and medical ethics. All courses required by this provision shall be comprehensive in nature and shall be acceptable to and pre-approved in writing by the Board or its designee. Written confirmation that he has attended and completed shall be due within one hundred-eighty (180) days of the date of this Order.
- (4) **Probation Monitoring Fee.** For each year of the probationary term, Mr Jackson shall pay the Board a probation monitoring fee of Three Hundred (\$300.00) Dollars. Payment of the initial fee shall be due not later than sixty (60) days from the effective date of this Order. All subsequent annual payments shall be due on or before the anniversary date of the initial fee payment.
- (5) Self-Reporting of Violations. Mr. Jackson shall immediately self-report in writing to the probation officer any violation of or failure to adhere to the terms, conditions or restrictions of this order. Furthermore, Mr. Jackson shall immediately self-report in writing any personal action or inaction which constitutes a violation of the Act.
- (6) Self-Reporting of Other Investigations. Mr. Jackson shall immediately self-report in writing to the probation officer any and all investigations, inquiries, charges, convictions, or disciplinary actions taken by any local, state or Federal agency, or any institution of facility.
- (7) Continuing Medical Education. Mr. Jackson shall obtain not less than twenty (20) credit hours per year for each of the years of the probationary term through attendance at and participation in continuing medical education ("CME") programs approved by the Board. On or before the anniversary date of the effective date of this Order and for each additional year of the probationary term, he shall cause to be submitted to the Board written certification of the CME programs and credits completed during the preceding twelve (12) months.
- (8) Cooperation with the Board's Probation and Compliance Officer. Mr Jackson shall direct all matters required pursuant to this Order to the attention of the Probation and Compliance Officer and he shall cooperate on all matters and inquiries pertaining to his compliance with the terms and conditions of this Order. He is required to report, in person to his probation officer at such times as may be directed. Mr. Jackson is required immediately to complete all forms, fully and carefully, when received, and to present these to his probation officer at the first meeting or as directed. He shall immediately thereafter notify the Board's Probation and Compliance Officer of any changes in his current home and professional addresses and telephone numbers, and shall allow such access to his office, business practice or home and to patient medical records as may be necessary to his supervision.
- (9) Absence from State or Discontinuance of Practice Effect on. Should Mr. Jackson at any time during the period of probation ordered herein be absent from the state of Louisiana, relocate to and/or take up residency in another state or country, or discontinue practicing as a Respiratory Therapist for a period of thirty (30) days or more, he will so advise the Board in writing. In such instance, the probationary period ordered herein shall be deemed interrupted and extended for no less than the period of time during which he was not engaged in practice or was absent from the state of Louisiana; however, all terms and conditions may continue to be in effect as ordered or may be modified or altered as needed in the Board's discretion.

- (10) Effect of Violation/Sanction. By his subscription hereto Mr. Jackson acknowledges that his receipt of written notification from the Board that it has received any report which indicates his failure to comply with the requirements set forth by this Order in any respect, shall, without the need for formal hearing or for providing him with any right to which he may otherwise be entitled pursuant to the Louisiana Administrative Procedure Act, La. Rev. Stat. §§49:951, et seq., or which otherwise may be afforded to him by law, constitute his irrevocable consent to the immediate suspension of his license to practice respiratory therapy in this state pending the issuance of a final decision by the Board following administrative adjudication of such charges.
- (11) Certification of Compliance with Probationary Terms; Personal Appearance Before the Board; Termination of Probation. At least sixty (60) days prior to the conclusion of the probationary term imposed herein, Mr. Jackson shall contact the Board and arrange for a personal appearance before the Board, or its designee at its meeting preceding the expiration of the probationary term ordered herein. As a precondition to his request for termination of probation, Mr. Jackson shall provide the Board with an executed affidavit certifying that he has complied with each of the terms of probation imposed upon him by this Order. The probationary period and all of its terms and conditions shall be, and shall be deemed to be, extended and continued in full force and effect pending Mr. Jackson's compliance with the requirements of this provision.
- (12) Effective Date. This Consent Order shall be effective the date it is approved and accepted by the Board as shown by the signature of its representative below.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that any violation or failure of strict compliance with any of the restrictions set forth by this Order by Mr. Jackson shall be deemed adequate and sufficient cause, upon proof of such violation or failure, for the revocation and cancellation of Mr. Jackson's license to practice as a respiratory therapist in the state of Louisiana or for such other action as the Board may deem appropriate, as if such violations were enumerated among the causes provided in La. Rev. Stat. §37:3358.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this Consent Order shall be, and shall be deemed to be, a public record.

New Orleans, Louisiana, this The day of December, 2019.

LOUISIANA STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS

RODERICK V. CLARK, M.D.

President

STATE OF LOUISIANA

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## ACKNOWLEDGMENT AND CONSENT

I, <u>COREY EVERETTE JACKSON</u>, <u>CRT</u>, hereby acknowledge that I have had the opportunity to seek the advice and guidance of legal counsel with respect to this Consent Order and that all of its terms and conditions have been fully explained to me and/or that I fully understand them. I further acknowledge that I approve, accept and consent to entry of the above and foregoing Order without duress and of my own free will and accord, this <u>G</u> day of <u>MNOWLOU</u>, 2019.

REY EVERETTE JACKSON, CRT

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Sworn to and subscribed before me at /Swall Louisiana, this // day of // day of // day of // 2019, in the presence of the two stated witnesses.

Notary Public (Signature)

Printed Name JUDPA WELLU

